GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:82
ANSWERED ON:23.10.2008
RAILWAY CROSSINGS FOR VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
Pathak Shri Harin

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any time frame has been laid down for grant of permission for Railway crossings for the purpose of various development projects;

(b) if so, whether several proposals seeking permission for railway crossings including those for various water supply projects are pending with Railway Authorities;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the pending proposals will be cleared?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI LALU PRASAD)

(a) to (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (d) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 82 BY SHRI HARIN PATHAK TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 23.10.2008 REGARDING RAILWAY CROSSINGS FOR VARIOUS DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(a) to (d): Railways receive requests from various agencies/individuals for crossings for various purposes. Permission is granted only if the proposal is complete, feasible, does not affect safety of trains, and only after the party has deposited the required fees and met with all the procedural requirements. As the requesting parties take their own time in complying with the above requirements, no target time can be set by railways for granting approval to the proposals. There are a total of 1423 number of proposals for permission of railway crossings for various purposes including 431 number of proposals for water supply projects, which have been received by railways, and are pending disposal at different stages. Zone-wise details regarding the number of proposals for permission of railway crossings for various purposes including those which have been referred back to the parties are as given below.

RAILWAY ZONES	NUMBER OF PROPOSALS
Central	1
Eastern	1
East Central	0
East Coast	8
Northern	272
North Central	63
North Eastern	21
Northeast Frontier	1
North Western	72
Southern	162
South Central	63
South Eastern	3
Southeast Central	33
South Western	54
Western	570
West Central	99
TOTAL	1423